

SENATE BILL 1917

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,
Chapter 1; Title 49, Chapter 13; Title 49, Chapter
2; Title 49, Chapter 3 and Title 49, Chapter 5,
relative to school administration.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-2-502, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

49-2-502.

(a) The school board, school commissioners, school trustees or other duly constituted administrative officials of any special school district are authorized and empowered to transfer the administration of the schools in the special school district to the county board of education of the county in which the special school district is located. Before a transfer is effectuated, however, a referendum shall first be conducted on the subject, and the school system of the special school district shall not be transferred to the county unless a majority of the voters who cast votes in the referendum vote in favor of the transfer. The referendum shall be held by the county election commission when requested by the school board of the special school district, and the expenses of the election shall be paid from the funds of the special school district.

(b) Within five (5) business days after affirmative administrative action for the transfer of administration of the special school district to the county, a copy of the minutes of the meeting in which such action was taken shall be submitted to the county board of education of the county in which the special school district is located and to the department of education.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.